

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Re the Application of:

Toshikazu Hirayama, et al.

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For: DRUG SYRINGE

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: July 31, 2001

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on April 1, 2002, payment for one month's extension of time attached, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

✓ Cancel claim 2 without prejudice and amend claims 1, 3, and 6 as follows:

1. (Amended) A drug syringe comprising:
a barrel which is provided with a nozzle mounting portion at a distal end thereof;
a plunger which is provided with a gasket capable of sliding hermetically along an inner wall of the barrel at a distal end thereof and inserted from a proximal end of said barrel; and
a nozzle which is freely detachable with said nozzle mounting portion,
wherein said nozzle includes a mounting portion on the proximal end side which is provided with means for mounting to said nozzle mounting portion and a discharging portion which extends bending at a predetermined angle from this mounting portion, said discharging portion being formed so as to become thinner at a tip thereof in a tapered shape.

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